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INACTIVE ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

Summary. This revision provides guidance concerning accountability administration of Inactive Army National Guard (ING) personnel under the Standard Installation/Division Personnel System (SIDPERS), muster and muster letter requirements, reporting requirements, Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI), and retirement credit. It also restructures the regulation by consolidating requirements applicable to both officer and enlisted soldiers in one chapter and separating officer and enlisted soldier unique requirements into two separate chapters.

Applicability. This regulation is applicable to all units and soldiers of the Army National Guard (ARNG).

Impact on New Manning System. This regulation does not contain information that affects the New Manning System.

Interim changes. Interim changes to this regulation are not official unless authenticated by the Executive, National Guard Bureau (NGB). Interim changes will be destroyed on their expiration date unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

Suggested improvements. Users of this regulation are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) to NGB, ATTN: Enlisted Personnel Branch (NGB-ARP-E), Washington, DC 20310-2500.

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Chapter 1

General

1-1. Purpose

This regulation prescribes policies and procedures for effective management of soldiers in the ING and for transfer into and out of the ING.

1-2. Policy

- a. The ING is an administrative category that allows soldiers in the ARNG to remain in the ARNG when for some reason they are unable to participate satisfactorily in regularly scheduled training assemblies and/or annual training (AT).
- b. The ING is composed of federally recognized officers and enlisted soldiers assigned to ARNG units. The term "officers" includes warrant officers unless

otherwise specified. The term "soldier" includes both officer and enlisted unless otherwise specified.

- c. ING soldiers must attend one training assembly (muster) each year (see paragraph 2-2).
- d. ING soldiers will be given every opportunity to maintain SSI/MOS proficiency and further enhance their military careers. They will be encouraged to attend AT with their unit, actively participate in other unit training, and take courses (resident and nonresident) that will help them maintain MOS and basic soldier skill qualification.

1-3. Objective

The ING was established to--

- a. Provide trained soldiers to assist in achieving the wartime required strength upon mobilization of the ARNG.
- b. Provide units of the ARNG with effective strength during AT.

Chapter 2

Administration

2-1. Officer and enlisted retention programs

The provisions of AR 135-205 and NGR 635-102 are applicable to ING soldiers with 20 or more years of qualifying service for retired pay at age 60 under chapter 67, Title 10, U.S.C.

2-2. Muster

- a. All units that have ING soldiers assigned will conduct an annual ING muster assembly concurrently with a regularly scheduled unit training assembly. Attendance of all ING soldiers in mandatory except as provided in e below. (See paragraph 2-3 for muster letter.)
- b. The annual muster may be held any time during the months of April through August.
- c. A consolidated report of annual muster will be submitted by each State to NGB-ARP-P NLT the end of each FY. Report format is at figure 2-1. The first report is required for FY 87.
- d. Units may conduct more than one muster to ensure maximum participation of ING soldiers subject to the provisions of f below. The AT period may be used instead of the annual muster unit training assembly. The purpose of the muster is to—
- (1) Screen soldiers to determine their availability for mobilization in accordance with NGR 600-2.
- (2) Inform soldiers of unit training plans and objectives.
- (3) Conduct a showdown inspection of clothing and/or equipment (if clothing and/or equipment is retained by the soldier), update personnel records (to include current address and telephone number), and determine requirements for immunizations and physical examinations. ING soldiers are required to have a medical examination at least once every 4 years during the anniversary month of their last recorded medical examination.
 - (4) Prior to the annual muster,

the unit commander will identify those ING soldiers whose enlistment, reenlistment, or extension will expire before the next muster. During the muster, the retention NCO or unit commander will discuss the benefits of reenlisting/extending in the ING. The retention NCO or unit commander will ensure only qualified soldiers are allowed to reenlist/extend and that required documents are prepared and executed when the time comes for the soldier to reenlist/extend.

- (5) Discuss with ING soldiers the benefits of transferring back to an active status (paragraphs 3-6 and 4-5).
- (6) Identify ING soldiers with critical skills and personally discuss with them transfer back to an active status or attendance at AT to maintain their MOS proficiency and assist the unit during AT.
- e. ING soldiers who are out of State or country due to temporary employment, residency, or missionary work are exempt from muster. Soldiers in this category must inform their unit of their scheduled departure date, address (if known), and estimated date of return. They are required to inform their unit whenever their address, physical condition, or other personal data changes as pertains to the DA Form 2-1 and when they return from their temporary status.
- f. The annual muster assembly is in a paid status for a period not to exceed one unit training assembly per year (FY) per individual.
- g. ING soldiers attending the annual muster assembly will wear the prescribed uniform. Exceptions can be made in accordance with NGR 350-1. If AT is used for the muster assembly, the prescribed uniform will be worn.
- h. Meals are not authorized for one unit training assembly (NGR 350-1).

2-3. Muster letter

a. Commanders will send each ING soldier a letter (see figure 2-2) by certified mail, return receipt requested, at least one month before the annual muster assembly.

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- b. Letters returned as not deliverable will be filed with the envelope in the soldier's permanent section of the military personnel records jacket (MPRJ).
- c. Unit commanders will review the MPRJs of those soldiers who do not respond to the letter, who do not attend the muster, those who give reasons for nonattendance, and whose notification letters were returned as not deliverable. If it is determined the soldiers will not be available for mobilization, they will be considered for discharge action or transfer to the IRR.

2-4. Orders and administration

- a. Orders transferring soldiers to the ING will be forwarded to the State SIDPERS interface branch (SIB). SIB personnel will initiate the transactions to place them in the ING. Soldiers will be listed on the DA Form 1379 of the unit with a remark in column "h" to reflect assignment to the ING.
- b. When attending annual muster/AT, orders will be prepared and forwarded with the DA Form 1379 as source documentation for this performance. Accountability at annual muster/AT will be IAW NGR 680-1.
- c. See NGR 310-10 for orders format for transferring soldiers to the ING or back to an active status. Paragraph and line number reflecting the position of the individual should be indicated in the order.
- d. Administration for ING soldiers is the responsibility of the unit to which they are assigned.

2-5. Provisions regarding transfer

- a. The transfer of active soldiers to the ING will be in accordance with paragraph 2-8.
- b. The transfer of ING soldiers to an active status will be in accordance with paragraph 3-6 or 4-5.
- c. The transfer of ING soldiers to the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) will be in accordance with NGR 600-200.
- d. Discharge/separation from the ARNG will be in accordance with NGR 600-200 or NGR 635-100.

e. Requests for transfer of soldiers to the ING will be processed as directed by the State AG.

2-6. Evaluation reports

Evaluation reports will normally not be submitted for ING soldiers. However, the following provisions apply to those soldiers attending AT:

- a. An enlisted evaluation report (EER) will be completed for sergeants (E5) and above who complete AT of more than 11 days.
- b. An officer evaluation report (OER) will be submitted for all officers who complete AT of more than 11 days.
- c. OER/EERs will be completed NLT 30 days after the ending date of the report.
- d. Distribution and filing of evaluation reports will be the same as for ARNG active soldiers.

2-7. Schooling

- a. ING soldiers will be encouraged to participate in active component (AC), ARNG, and United States Army Reserve (USAR) service schools and military correspondence course programs to increase their SSI/MOS proficiency.
- b. ING soldiers who desire to attend a military school will submit a request through the chain of command to the State AG for approval/disapproval. If approved, orders must be prepared to transfer them to an active status for the period of schooling to include travel time.
- c. Retirement points cannot be awarded for completion of a correspondence course or service school while the soldier is in the ING, unless the soldier is transferred, with approval of State AG, to an active status in the ARNG.
- d. When a soldier is transferred to an active status, he or she cannot be awarded retirement points for completion of courses while in the ING.

2-8. Authorized transfer to the ING Active soldiers may be transferred to the ING for the following reasons (see chapters 3 and 4 for those not authorized transfer to the ING): If the soldier so

desires, he or she may request transfer into the IRR instead of the ING. Requests for exceptions to this paragraph will be submitted through the chain of command to the State AG for approval/disapproval. (A command sergeant major (CSM) at the time of transfer to the ING will be laterally appointed to sergeant major.)

- a. Change of residence.
- b. Incompatability with civilian employment.
- Temporary medical disqualification that can be corrected within 6 months to one year. (When medical disqualification can be corrected within less than 6 months, retain the soldier in the unit in an active status. absence from unit training will granted. When medical disqualification cannot be corrected in less than a year, the soldier will be discharged.) Transfer to the ING and back to an active status will require certification of medical status.
 - d. Pregnancy.
- e. Soldiers affected by a change to the authorized strength or positions in a MTOE/TDA document who cannot be absorbed by the unit, or reassigned to a new unit, after one year.
- f. Valid reason for delay from entering on active duty with their unit when mobilized.
- g. Release from active duty with a mobilized unit before the release of the unit from its mobilization status.
- h. Returned from voluntary extended active duty (EAD) or Active Guard Reserve (AGR) and cannot be assigned to a vacant position, or within provisions of overstrength/enhanced strength limitations, within a 6-month period after release from EAD or AGR.
- i. Enlisted soldiers released from active duty for training (IADT) under the expeditious discharge program (EDP), but not discharged from their Reserve of the Army status, who have completed Basic Training (BT) or 8 weeks' OSUT.
- j. Placed on the weight control program. Transfer back to an active status

requires medical certification that the soldier meets AR 600-9 standards.

- k. Temporary overseas or out-of-State residency, employment, or missionary obligation.
- \$\ell\$. Female officers or enlisted women assigned to a unit or position closed by the direct combat probability code (DCPC) policy who cannot be reassigned to a unit or position open to women within one year.
- m. Soldier requests transfer to ING for a reason other than those cited in this paragraph. Request must be approved by the State AG. See figure 2-3 for letter format for a soldier requesting transfer to the ING.
- n. For enlisted soldiers, completion of the second portion (2 or 3 years) of the 4x2 or 3x3 enlistment option or completion of the second portion (2, 4, or 5 years) of the 6x2, 4x4, or 3x5 enlistment option.
- o. Soldiers who elect to extend their term of service to be placed in the ING instead of being discharged.
- p. Soldiers who are unsatisfactory participants as defined in AR 135-91.

2-9. ING Information sheet

All soldiers being transferred to the ING will be given a copy of the ING information sheet, figure 2-4. This information sheet explains the soldier's responsibilities while a member of the ING and his or her entitlements.

2-10. Assignment

- a. Soldiers transferred to the ING will normally be assigned back to their former unit. Exception can be made by the State AG when assignment to another unit is in the best interest of the ARNG.
- b. Assignment to the State HHD will be limited to soldiers who were transferred to the ING for the reasons specified in paragraph 2-8f, g, and h and in addition, enlisted soldiers who are unable to be assigned to an ARNG unit because of the limitations identified in paragraph 3-2b and/or c.

2-11. Training

a. ING soldiers will be encouraged to attend AT and/or other training as authorized by the unit of assignment. This training can be done without regard to position vacancy. It will assist the soldiers to maintain proficiency in their SSI/MOS.

b. ING soldiers who volunteer to attend AT will be transferred on orders to an active status no earlier than the first day of the reporting month nor later than 15 days before the first day of AT. They will revert to the ING not later than 7 days following the last day of AT.

2-12. Mobilization

For those ING soldiers assigned to or

being transferred to units alerted for mobilization under call or order, see RC\Unit Commanders Handbook, volume III, part III, of FORMDEPS.

2-13. Retirement credit

See figure 2-5 and NGR 640-1 regarding instructions for maintaining the NGB Form 23 (Retirement Credit Record) for ING soldiers.

2-14. Servicemen's Group life Insurance (SGLI/Veteran's Group Life Insurance (VGLI)

ING soldiers are entitled to and can apply for part-time SGLI and VGLI coverage. See AR 608-2, NGB Pam 37-104-3, and NGB Pam 37-104-10 for entitlements and administrative processing.

•••	(Office Symbol)		(Date)
SUE	JECT: Annual Muster Report (ING)		
ATT	ional Guard Bureau N: NGB-ARP-P hington, DC 20310-2500		
Inf	ormation requested by NGR 614-1 for FY is pr	ovided as follows:	
	Information	Officer	Enlisted
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	Number assigned to ING Number present on muster day(s) Number of no shows on muster day(s) Number exempt from muster day (para 2-2e) Number discharged as a result of failure to show for muster day Number discharged as a result of failure to meet mobilization requirements Comments/recommendations on muster day activit	ies:	
FOR	THE		

...(Letterhead)...

Figure 2-1. Annual muster report

...(Signature Block)...

(Unit Letterhead)

(Office symbol)

(Date)

SUBJECT: Notification of Annual Muster Assembly

Addressed to Individual

- 1. Annual muster for soldiers assigned to the Inactive Army National Guard (ING) will be conducted concurrently with the regularly scheduled unit training assembly for this unit on (date, time, and location).
- 2. All soldiers assigned to the ING of this unit are required to participate in this muster for the purpose of— $\,$
 - a. Screening soldiers to determine availability for mobilization.
 - b. Informing soldiers of unit training plans and objectives.
 - c. Conducting a showdown inspection of clothing and equipment, if retained.
 - d. Updating personnel records and physical and immunization requirements.
- 3. Annual muster will be conducted in a pay status for one unit training assembly (UTA) (4-hour period). Uniform is required for this muster. The uniform is

Unit Commander signature block

Receipt of annual muster assembly is hereby acknowledged. I (will) (will not) attend this muster.

The reason I cannot attend this muster is:

Signature of Individual

^{4.} Receipt of this letter will be acknowledged by you on the bottom half of this letter. The letter will be returned to the unit at the unit address shown on the top of the letter no later than one week before the annual muster. If you do not show for this muster, your status in the ING will be reviewed and appropriate action will be taken. If you cannot attend, your reason, as stated on the letter, for not attending will be reviewed to determine if further action is necessary.

(Unit Letterhead)

SUBJECT: Request for Transfer to the Inactive Army National Guard
TO: (State AG)
<pre>l. I, (grade) (name-first, middle, last) (SSN) hereby apply for transfer to the Inactive Army National Guard of (State) as of (effective date). My current assignment data is: a. MTOE/TDA paragraph and line number b. PMOS:</pre>
2. This request is based on the provisions of NGR 614-1. The specific reason for requesting transfer is:
 I understand and agree to the following while a member of the ING: I will be available for mobilization with a unit of the ARNG in the event of an emergency, either State or National. I will be required to report for "annual muster day" during each training year I will be required to maintain a current periodic physical. I will immediately report any change of my current address and phone number (home and business) to my unit commander or designated representative. I will immediately report to my unit commander or designated representative any change to my status, such as physical condition or family situation, that could affect my mobilization status. My current mailing address and phone number(s) are: Address: Address:
b. Phone number(s): Home
(Signature)

Figure 2-3. Sample letter requesting transfer to ING

INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ING

- 1. The following information is provided concerning your transfer to the Inactive Army National Guard (ING):
 - a. As a member of the ING you are not--

 - (1) Entitled to pay.(2) Eligible for promotion.
 - (3) Eligible to earn retirement points.
- b. Date of rank will be adjusted to delete time spent in the ING for enlisted soldiers.
- c. As a member of the ING you are subject to immediate involuntary mobilization with your unit of assignment in time of Federal or State mobilization.
- d. As a member of the ING you do receive longevity credit for basic pay purposes while in an ING status.
- e. As a member of the ING you will be required to report to a one-day annual muster with your unit of assignment.
- f. As a member of the ING you are required to maintain a current periodic physical.
- g. As a member of the ING you are required to keep your unit commander or designated representative informed of any change in your home address and/or phone number(s), both home and work.
- h. As a member of the ING you are required to keep your unit commander or designated representative informed of any changes in your physical status that may affect you mobilization potential.
- 2. You may at any time request transfer back to the active status of the ARNG. However, you must meet retention standards of NGR 600-200, and your request must be approved by your unit commander and the chain of command.
- 3. National Guard Regulation (NGR) 614-1 outlines the policy concerning the ING. If you have any questions concerning your transfer to the ING, or your responsibilities while a member of the ING, you should contact your unit commander or designated representative.

General - Record of points earned towards retirement will be entered at the end of each ING anniversary ending date. That date is defined as one year from entry into the ING. After entries have been made in appropriate columns, a line in ink will be drawn through columns in which not entry has been made. Retirement year ending (RYE) date will not change until soldier has been transferred from the ING to an authorized MTOE/TDA vacancy. At this time a new RYE will be established. It should also be noted that periods of service in the ING may not be used for qualifying years of service toward retirement.

- 1. Column (1) Enter thee total points earned in one figure for the period covered by attendance at authorized annual muster. This entry will be made on the first available line.
- 2. Column (2) On the same line enter the inclusive dates and total points earned as one figure for membership, if any are earned during the period covered.
- 3. Column (3) Line through in ink.
- 4. Column (4) Enter the total points earned as one figure for inactive duty. This entry will reflect the sum of all points earned in columns (1), (2), and (3).
- 5. Column (5) On the same line enter the inclusive dates and total points earned for annual training performed while assigned to the ING.
- 6. Column (6) Enter the sum of the total columns (4) and (5).
- 7. Column (7) The verifying officer will place his/her initials in column (7) after is=t has been ascertained that all entries for the period covered are true and correct, and that all points earned have been adequately supported by official documents in the form of payrolls, orders, or certificates. An entry will be made on the reverse side of NGB Form 23 for each officer whose initials appear in column (7). Entries on NGB Form 23 will be verified by the commander/officer designated as custodian of records in the case of officers and warrant officers and by the unit commander in the case of enlisted soldiers.

See sample of NGB Form 23 prepared for ING.

Figure 2-5. Maintenance of Retirement Credit Record (NGB Form 23) for Soldiers in the ING.

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RETIREMENT CREDITS RECORD

Retirement Year:		Jul - 30 Jun										
NAME (Last, first, middle initial)	le Initial)			SSN			GRADE (in pencil)	n pencil)	STATE	担		
JONES, John P.	•			000-00	0000-00-000			717		Ohio		
(1) ASSEMBLY, PER. OF EQUIVALENT INSTR. OR APPROP. DUTY	UIVALENT	(2) MEMBER OF ARMY NATIONAL GUAR	AL GUARD	CORRESPC	(3) CORRESPONDENTS COURSES COMPLETED OR MISC. DUTIES PERFORMED	JRSES COI	MPLETED)	(4) TOTAL POINTS INACTIVE	(5) ACTIVE DUTY, ACTIVE DUTY TRAINING OR FULL TIME TRAINING DUTY	DUTY TRAINING INING DUTY	(6) TOTAL POINTS	(7) VERIFIED BY
INCLUSIVE DATES	POINTS	INCLUSIVE DATES	POINTS	DATE	DATE PERFORMED	TOTAL	POINTS	5	INCLUSIVE DATES	POINTS		
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Chapter 3

Enlisted soldiers

3-1. Status

Enlisted soldiers assigned to the ING-

- a. Retain a Reserve of the Army status and receive longevity credit for basic pay purposes while in this status.
- b. Are subject to immediate involuntary mobilization with unit of assignment in times of Federal or State mobilization (except calls under section 673b, Title 10, U.S.C.).
- c. Are not entitled to pay (37 U.S.C. 301), are ineligible for promotion (32 U.S.C. Appendix 1101), and cannot earn retirement points (10 U.S.C. 1332). Pay and retirement points are authorized when returned to an active status for the annual muster assembly/AT.

3-2. Strength and grades

Maximum authorized strengths and grades are as follows:

- a. ING soldiers are accounted for in the Ready Reserve strength of the Army. They are not accounted for in the active strength of the ARNG.
- b. The number of enlisted soldiers assigned to the ING in any battalion or equivalent size unit (or smaller unit if not part of a battalion size parent unit) may not exceed 25 percent of the unit's wartime required enlisted strength. Exceptions to this limitation may be made by the State AG for soldiers who are in critically short MOS.
- c. Enlisted soldiers being transferred to the ING must be assigned to a unit of the ARNG and be qualified in an MOS authorized in that unit. Normally, this will be the same unit to which the soldier was assigned as an active member.
- d. When the provisions of paragraph 3-2b and/or c cannot be met, ING soldiers will be assigned to the State HHD.
- e. The State AG should selectively transfer ING soldiers to the IRR for the remainder of their statutory or contractual obligation if they cannot be properly used in the units.

3-3. Enlisted soldiers who are not eligible for transfer to the ING

- a. Reserve Officer Training Corps simultaneous membership program (ROTC/ SMP) participants.
- b. Soldiers under suspension of favorable personnel action, with the exception of the Weight Control Program.

3-4. Transfer to ING

All soldiers being transferred to the ING who have completed the first portion of their enlistment option must extend for the remaining portion of their enlistment option if they elect transfer to the ING instead of remaining in an active status or transfer to the IRR.

3-5. Retention

- a. Enlisted soldiers may be retained in the ING for a specified time by initiating extensions or reenlistments in accordance with NGR 600-200 provided--
- (1) They are qualified for reenlistment/extension.
- (2) They are qualified in the MOS designated on the transfer order.
- (3) They are qualified to enter on active duty as a member of the assigned unit upon mobilization.
- (4) The reenlistment/extension is approved by the unit commander.
- (5) Reason for remaining in ING is in accordance with paragraph 2-8.
- b. ING soldiers are subject to screening action as prescribed in NGR 600-2. A soldier, who as a result of screening action is found not qualified or available for mobilization, will be discharged or transferred to the IRR.

3-6. Transfer from ING to active status in the ARNG

a. Provided an ING soldier is qualified (see e below) and can actively participate in unit training, the State AG may transfer to an active status soldiers in pay grades E1-E4 (E5SMP) without regard to MTOE/TDA position vacancy in those units authorized 110 percent overstrength and in pay grades E1-E7 without regard to MTOE/TDA position vacancy in those units author-

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ized 125 percent overstrength. For soldiers in pay grades E8 and E9 and in units and pay grades not specified above, there must be an authorized MTOE/TDA position vacancy appropriate to the grade and MOS of the individual.

- b. CSMs will not be transferred to an active status as a CSM. See AR 135-205 for policy concerning reappointment to CSM.
- c. See chapter 6, AR 135-7 and paragraph 1-6, NGB Pam 600-15 for policy concerning the ING Bonus Program.
- d. All ING soldiers transferring to an active status will be HTLV-III tested before transfer, unless HTLV-III tested within the last 12 months.
- e. All ING soldiers transferring to an active status must have a current periodic physical and must meet the

height and weight standards of AR 600-9 prior to transfer.

3-7. Date of rank (DOR)

Enlisted soldiers transferring from the ING to an active status in the ARNG will be given an adjusted DOR. DOR will be adjusted to delete time spent in the ING. (Example: DOR at time of transfer to ING is 15 Oct 83, period of time in ING is 30 days, adjusted DOR when transferred to active status is 15 Nov 83.)

3-8. Enlisted soldiers on flying status Enlisted soldiers on NGB flying status orders will not be allowed to continue on flying status effective the date of transfer to the ING. Unit commanders should request termination of flying status in accordance with NGR 600-106.

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Chapter 4

Officer personnel

4-1. Status

Officers assigned to the ING-

- a. Retain their Federal recognition and Reserve of the Army status as members of the unit to which assigned. Longevity credit for basic pay purposes accrues as a result of the Reserve of the Army status.
- b. Are subject to immediate involuntary mobilization with unit of assignment in times of Federal or State mobilization (except for calls under Section 673b, Title 10, U.S.C.).
- c. Are not entitled to pay (37 U.S.C. 301), are ineligible for promotion (32 U.S.C. Appendix 1101), and cannot earn retirement points (10 U.S.C. 1332). Pay and retirement points are authorized when returned to an active status for annual muster assembly/AT.

4-2. Strength

- a. Officers assigned to the ING are accounted for in the Ready Reserve strength of the Army. They are not accounted for in the active strength of the ARNG.
- b. The number of officers assigned to the ING in any battalion or equivalent size unit (or smaller unit if not part of a battalion size parent unit) may not exceed 25 percent of the unit's wartime required officer strength. Exceptions to this limitation may be made by the State AG for officers who are in critically short career specialties.
- c. Officers being transferred to the ING must be assigned to a unit of the ARNG for which qualified by grade and SSI/MOS. Normally, this will be the same unit to which the member was assigned as an active member.
- d. The State AG should selectively transfer to the IRR for the remainder of their obligations those officers who cannot be properly used in the units.
- e. General officers may be assigned to the ING for a period not to exceed 30 days. They may not be returned to the ARNG in an active status in the general

officer grade upon expiration of the 30 days.

4-3. Officers who are not eligible for transfer to the ING

- a. Second lieutenants.
- b. Any officer with a statutory active duty training (ADT) requirement or contractual service requirement resulting from military or civilian schooling.
- c. Commissioned officers serving under a declination of Reserve Officer Promotion Act (ROPA) promotion.
- d. Commissioned officers scheduled for consideration by the DA mandatory selection board one calendar year before the month and year to be considered and have not completed the military education requirement for the next higher grade. In extreme cases, a request for exception with complete justification can be submitted and will be forwarded to Chief, Army National Guard Personnel Center, 5600 Columbia Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-5125.
- e. After nonselection by a board convened under the mandatory consideration provisions of ROPA.
- f. Officers under a suspension of favorable personnel action except those in the weight control program or against whom action has been initiated under NGR 635-1.

4-4. Retention

- a. Officers, except general officers, may be retained in the ING indefinitely provided the reason for remaining in the ING is in accordance with paragraph 2-8.
- b. Officers are subject to screening action as prescribed in NGR 600-2. An officer who as a result of screening action is found not qualified or available for mobilization will be separated or transferred to the IRR.

4-5. Transfer from ING to active status in the ARNG

a. Provided an officer is qualified (see c below) and can actively participate in unit training, the State AG may transfer to an active status any officer as long as there is an authorized MTOE/

TDA position vacancy appropriate to the grade of the officer.

- b. All officers transferring to an active status will be HTLV-III tested prior to transfer, unless HTLV-III tested within the last 12 months.
- c. All officers transferring to an active status must have a current periodic physical. The physical for officers in the grades of WO1 through 0-4 must be within the past 4 years before transfer. The physical for 0-5's and 0-6's must be within the past 2 years prior to transfer. All officers must meet height and weight standards of AR 600-9.

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4-6. Promotions

Officers may not be considered for promotion for a period of 1 year following the most recent transfer back to an active status.

4-7. Aviators

Aviators who are transferred to the ING are prohibited from flying effective the date of transfer to the ING. ING aviation service orders automatically terminate on that date. Individuals may requalify for aviation service upon reassignment to active status in an operational flying duty position. Application will be made in accordance with the procedures in NGR/AR 600-105.

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